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## **Patent Application**

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Sir:

Submitted herewith is the following document relating to the above-identified patent application:

(1) Amendment and Response to Office Action.

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